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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING AND EMAIL**

The Honorable Analisa Torres  
United States District Judge  
Southern District Of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

**Re: XL Specialty Insurance Company v. John R. Lakian,  
Diane W. Lamm, & Kobre & Kim LLP (S.D.N.Y.) (14-CV-5225)**

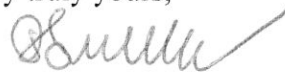
Dear Judge Torres:

Proposed Intervenors-Appellants Knox, LLC d/b/a Knox, LLC of New York and DJW Advisors, LLC (collectively "Appellants") write in response to the letter that was electronically filed earlier today by Brian J. Osias, in which he, on behalf of all parties to the interpleader action, "request[s] that the Court approve the proposed settlement" that was filed with this Court on March 19, 2015.

As counsel is well aware, on March 20, 2015 (one day after the proposed settlement was filed with this Court), Appellants, in accordance with this Court's Individual Rules of Practice, submitted a five-page letter requesting a pre-motion conference for permission to move to stay the disbursement of the interpleaded funds presently deposited with the Court's Registry pending the disposition of the Appellants' Second Circuit appeal of this Court's January 15, 2015 Memorandum And Order denying Appellants' motion to intervene.

As the letter from Mr. Osias completely ignores Appellants' request for a pre-motion conference, Appellants hereby reiterate their request for such a pre-motion conference, and strenuously oppose - - and seek a stay of - - any distribution of the interpleaded funds for the reasons stated in Appellants' March 20, 2015 letter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Halpern", with a long, sweeping horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Philip M. Halpern

cc: All counsel of record (via electronic filing)